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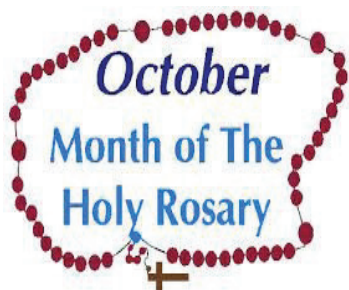
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*"The word of God is living and effective, discerning reflections and thoughts of the heart."*

*Hebrews 4:12*



*Jesus, I Trust in You*

### *New Mass Schedule*

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>Weekday</b>  | 12:00 pm Monday to Friday   |
| <b>Martes</b>   | 7:00 pm Misa en Español   |
| <b>Saturday</b> | 9:00 am,<br>4:00 pm (Vigil Mass)                                      |
| <b>Sunday</b>   | 8:00 am, 9:30 am,<br>11:00 am,<br>12:30 pm Misa en Español            |
| <b>Holydays</b> | 6:00 pm (Vigil Mass)<br>12:00 pm, 6:00 pm,<br>7:00 pm Misa en Español |

**Very Rev. Alexander T. Cruz, VF**

**Pastor**, extn 103

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**Rev. Jozef Krajnak, Ph.D.**

**Resident Priest**, extn 104

**Joseph Keefe** (Trustee)

**Arlene Mione** (Trustee)

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in  
Ordinary time  
October 16, 2022*

### **Parish Membership**

Our members may come from different origins but we are one in faith, in our love and devotion to the merciful Heart of Jesus. Everyone is welcome to join our growing community. Please email or visit our office to register.

### **Parish Office & Rectory**

Hours: Mon to Fri, 9 am - 3 pm

Email: [office@divinemercyrahway.church](mailto:office@divinemercyrahway.church)

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# Weekly Mass Intentions



## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

4:00 pm (V) People of the Parish &  
† Edmund & Richard Kasprzyk  
† Albert Reitemeyer  
† Martin & Anna Caffrey

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am † Jose Luis Nogales  
9:30 am † Noelene Wolff  
11:00 am (FBL) † Gilbert Family  
12:30 pm (SP, FBL) † Elena Martinez  
5:00 pm (F) † Myra Jane Aronce Valentin

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

*Feast of Saint Ignatius of Antioch*

12:00 pm Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Monzon (Wedding Anniv)

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

*Feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist*

12:00 pm Marulanda Family (Special Intention)  
7:00 pm (SP) † Nicholas Rosal

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

*Feast of Saints Jean de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues & companions*

12:00 pm † Jose Luis Nogales

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

*Feast of Saint Paul of the Cross*

12:00 pm † Jerry Scaturro

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:00 pm † Anthony Paul Fiorillo

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

*Feast of Saint John Paul II*

9:00 am † Nicholas Rosal  
4:00 pm (V) People of the Parish &  
† Arline T. Rooney  
† John Reitemeyer  
† Martin & Anna Caffrey

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

8:00 am † Jose Luis Nogales  
9:30 am † Noelene Wolff  
11:00 am (FBL) † Jean & Jack Fletcher  
12:30 pm (SP, FBL) † Alejandro Perez Flores

**Legend:** (V) Vigil Mass, (SP) Spanish Mass, (F) Filipino Mass, (FBL) Facebook Livestreamed Mass @ the parish  
**FB page** [Divine Mercy Parish, Rahway NJ](https://divinemercyrahway.church/mass-intentions)

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## THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:00 AM BLD LSS (Aud, 208)  
9:00 AM CCD /CCD Parent Formation (104)  
10:30 AM RCIA Spanish (103)  
12:00 PM Food Pantry (Annex Building)  
6:00 PM Filipino Group (Aud)

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

1:00 PM Flamenco (103)  
7:00 PM Guadalupano (Church)  
7:00 PM RCIA Class (104)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:30 PM BLD Singles (Connell Hall)  
7:30 PM John XXIII (201)

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:00 PM BLD Worship (Church)  
7:30 PM BLD Solo Parents (208)  
9:30 PM BLD ME Graduate Fellowship (102)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

1:30 PM Wedding Stephen Figaro &  
Samantha Ann Conners (Church)  
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)  
4:00 PM Angeles de Jesus (101)  
6:00 PM BLD Praise Practice (208)  
7:00 PM Grupo de Carismatico (Connell Hall)

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 AM Food Sale by Guadalupanos (Aud)  
9:15 AM CCD (208)  
10:30 AM RCIA Spanish (103)  
12:00 PM Food Pantry (Annex Building)

Posted @ <https://divinemercyrahway.church/announcements>

*St John Paul II, please pray for us !*

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WHEN YOU DREAM OF  
HAPPINESS. HE IS WAITING  
FOR YOU WHEN NOTHING ELSE  
YOU FIND SATISFIES YOU.**

Pope St. John Paul II



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Divine Mercy Parish

#### Worship Apostolate

**Filipino Community** Mass every 3rd Sunday of the month

**Divine Mercy Ministry of Jesus** Vigil Mass on every 4<sup>TH</sup> Saturday of the month

**Spanish Community** **Reuniones Hispanas**

**Eucaristía Dominical** 12:30 pm

**Bautizos** Por favor llamar la oficina de Lunes a Viernes. Bautismos cada segundo y cuatro Sabado del mes

**Matrimonio** Feligreses registrados tienen que presentarse un año antes de la boda.

**Reconciliación** Cada Martes Despues de la Misa 12:00 pm Y de la 7:00 pm, Cada Miercoles Despues de la Misa de la 12:00pm

**Unción de los Enfermos** Por favor llamar a la oficina para visitas a las casa o hospital.

**Mensajeras del Amor de Cristo** Visitan los enfermos Diana Chavez (732)535-0278

**Educación Religiosa** llamada (732)382-0004

**Movimiento Juan XXIII** Jueves 7:30 pm, Aula # 201

**Grupo Guadalupano** Martes 7:00 pm, Iglesia

**Grupo de Carismatico** Sábado 7:00 pm, Connell Hall

**Grupo Juvenil "Angeles de Jesús"** Sábado 4pm - 5pm, Aula 101

### "Grupos Voluntarios Limpian La Iglesia"

**Mil Ave Marias** - Cada Primera Semana del mes, Miercoles manana

**Juan XXIII** - Cada Segunda Semana del mes, Sábado

**Guadalupanos** - Cada Tercera semana del mes, Sábado

**Grupo Carismatico** - Cada Cuarta semana del mes, Sábado

### Gifts and Offerings



The **Tabernacle Lamp** is being offered for  
† Albert F. Reitemeyer.



The **Altar Bread** is being offered for  
† John R. Reitemeyer.



The **Altar Wine** is being offered for  
† Margaret Reitemeyer



The **Altar Candles** are being offered for  
† Albert, John & Margaret Reitemeyer.



### Baptism

Friends, let's welcome and pray for the newly baptized of our parish community **Leo Nathan Coco, William Jonas Merkle, Cassandra Joyce Murray and Paz Gianni Burgos-Vasquez.**

"Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor." PROVERBS 22:9

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC  
ADORATION @  
ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH



Everyone is invited to have the opportunity to spend a quiet and prayerful time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at St. John the Apostle Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. The chapel is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week except during inclement weather. The chapel is located on the Ridgeview Terrace side of the church, marked by a gold and white sign. Address of the church is below;

**St. John the Apostle Church, 1805 Penbrook Terrace,  
Linden, NJ 07036**

Please call the office @ (908) 486-6363 to sign up or email the Adoration Chapel Team @ [adoration@sjanj.net](mailto:adoration@sjanj.net). Please visit the website below for more information. <http://www.sjanj.net/ministries/perpetual-adoration/>

### Devotions

#### Eucharistic Adoration

11:00 am Every first Friday of the month

#### Mary Mother of God

9:00 am Every first Saturday of the month

#### Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:00 pm Every 4<sup>TH</sup> Saturday of the month

#### Our Lady of Miraculous Medal

12:30 pm Novena on Mondays after the Mass

#### St. Jude

12:30 pm Novena on Thursdays after the Mass

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

12:30 pm Novena on Wednesdays after the Mass



### Sacramental Schedule

**Confession** Weekdays after the 12 pm mass  
Saturdays 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm or call the priest for an appointment

**Baptism** Call or email the parish office to make an appointment with the priest.

**Marriage** Couples planning marriage must notify the Parish office a year in advance for date and requirements. Call or email the parish office to make an appointment with a priest.

**Anointing of the Sick** Contact a priest at any time. Hospital visits are still limited due to Covid-19.

**Holy Communion** For anyone who are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion please call or email the parish office.

*For with God  
nothing shall be impossible.*

*Luke 1:37*



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dearest Parishioners,  
Peace be with you!

The estimated cost of the Church's **New Heating System** is **\$275,000**. Whatever amount you can donate will be certainly appreciated and will go a long way to making our church a more comfortable place of worship when fall and winter season rolls in this year. As of this writing the total donation for the new heating system is **\$37,285**.

RECENT DONATION

|                                       |                                   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Zenda Bowley - \$500                  | Genevieve Norante - \$1,200       |
| Didith Quitola - \$100                | Martin Donaldson - \$1,200        |
| Citsay Family - \$100                 | Ann Ferguson - \$1,000            |
| Emilia Cruel - \$150                  | Rose Rosales - \$100              |
| Susan Barone - \$100                  | Kathleen Robinson - \$500         |
| Robert Evans - \$500                  | Rosa Bustios - \$20               |
| Mary Ann Coyle - \$200                | Robert Sivitsky - \$520           |
| Daniel Gregorio - \$100               | Richard Slater - \$200            |
| Dorothy Yuhás - \$500                 | Kathleen Ryan - \$500             |
| Karen Mitchell - \$50                 | Mr & Mrs Canete - \$20            |
| Elsa Sanchez - \$125                  | Jesus & Victoria Batista - \$200  |
| Diane D'Agostine - \$50               | Victoria Batista - \$100          |
| Anonymous 1- \$150                    | Lim Family - \$200                |
| Antonetta Grispart - \$150            | Janis Lisa - \$1,000              |
| Tagaca Family - \$200                 | Charles Sweetman - \$300          |
| Anonymous 2 - \$1000                  | Anonymous 12 - \$900              |
| Rolando Busi - \$500                  | Barbara Rusk & Jane Tierney- 400  |
| Amorfina Muhi - \$100                 | Joe & Cathy Keefe - \$500         |
| Anonymous 3 - \$100                   | Chester & Caroline Samsel - \$500 |
| Anthony Hudzik - \$50                 | Mary Ann Rosivack - \$500         |
| Anonymous 4 - \$ 20                   | Mr & Mrs Dolansky - \$250         |
| Eliza Zavala - \$50                   | Rose Marie Winston - \$30         |
| Arlene Mione - \$500                  | Dela Cruz Family - \$20           |
| Anonymous 5 - \$108                   | Dr Antonette Wallace - \$50       |
| Jean Pencak - \$150                   | Bernardita Pryor - \$250          |
| John & Doris Breza - \$100            | Angelito & Sherlita Baas - \$200  |
| Josephine Polhemus - \$150            | Maria Veronica Flores - \$50      |
| Sonatore Family - \$500               | Egdon & Malou Hernandez - \$200   |
| F & J Depaolo - \$100                 | Mr & Mrs Gallagher - \$300        |
| Anonymous 6 - \$51                    | Soledad Varela - \$ 210           |
| Divina Alba - \$ 200                  | John & Frances Odin - \$150       |
| Yolanda Burgos - \$200                | Fred Wolff - \$500                |
| John Manette - \$100                  | Philip Dacruz - \$100             |
| Anonymous 7 - \$20                    | Anonymous 8 - \$260               |
| Anonymous 9 - \$500                   | Jose & Angela Osorio - \$1000     |
| Cruz Maria Javier - \$50              | Ben & Charuca Velarte - \$100     |
| Anonymous 10 - \$4,000                | Anonymous 11 - \$1,500            |
| Jacky & Javier - \$20                 | Anonymous 13 - \$1,000            |
| Maria Morales - \$50                  | Janice Fech - \$250               |
| Bustos Jaime & Ana - \$500            | Mercedes Gamboa - \$200           |
| Ivan Almeda & Maria Fernandez - \$500 | Anonymous - \$330                 |
| Edward & Jennifer Henderson - \$100   | Paule Michel - \$100              |
| Robert & Mickey Andreko - \$ 500      | Anonymous 14 - \$30               |
| Quiba Family - \$200                  | Lawrence & Linda Bodine - \$50    |

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Continuation.....

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|--|---------------------------|
| Benjamin & Yolanda Guiang - \$100        | Mary Flanagan - \$100     |
| Patrick Cassio & MaryAnn Sukeney - \$100 | Guadalupanos - \$631      |
| James & Bernadette Frasier - \$50        | Richard Iazzetta - \$100  |
| Hugo & Diane Granada - \$500             | Leonida Perez - \$200     |
| Roger & Lucila Protacio - \$300          | Matilda - \$100           |
| Gerilynn Protacio - \$300                | Anonymous 15 - \$1,500    |
| Mary Ann & Mike Fucsko - \$75            | BLD Foundation - \$500    |
| Rose & William Anderson - \$100          | Ann Krivitski - \$250     |
| Lois Savage- \$50                        | Kathleen Savage - \$100   |
| John & Carol Sheridan - \$100            | Magdalene James - \$100   |
| Eleanor Hudzik Memorial - \$200          | Anonymous 16 - \$500      |
| Orpilla & O'Donnell Family- \$200        | Maryjane Gregorio - \$100 |
| German Jurado & Lina Cifuentes - \$75    | Judith Bustamante - \$10  |
| Edna & Juan Tagaca - \$100               | Jim Heinz - \$200         |
| William Jr & Ann Mazur - \$100           | Mary E Busacca - \$100    |
| Jesus Ortiz - \$50                       |                           |

Thank you very much for your unfailing support. Please help me pray for the success of this campaign. May our Good Lord bless you all.

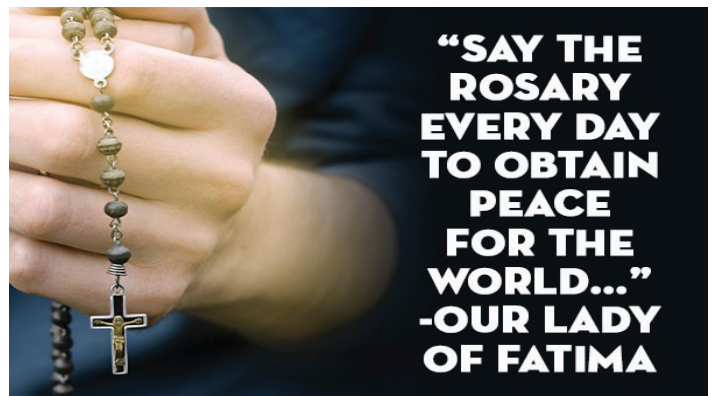
Sincerely in Christ,  
Very Rev. Alexander T. Cruz (Pastor/Dean)

For cash donations;

Please drop your cash donations in the basket with the Sunday offering or bring it to the rectory.

For check donations;

You can drop the check with the Sunday offering or mail it to Divine Mercy Church, 232 Central Avenue, Rahway, NJ 07065. Please make the checks payable to **Divine Mercy Church**. On the memo section of your check please write **"Donation New Heating System"** or simply **"New Heating System Fund"**



Please remember to include our parish in your prayers. Everyone can remit weekly offerings to our Parish by signing up at Parish Giving online. It is fast, secure and easy. Thank you and God bless.

## SUNDAY REFLECTION

**First Reading:** *Exodus 17:8-13*

Joshua and the Israelites defeat Amalek with the help of God and his servant, Moses.

**Second Reading:** *2 Timothy 3:14—4:2*

Paul exhorts Timothy to continue to preach the word Timothy received from his teachers.

**Gospel Reading:** *Luke 18:1-8*

Jesus urges his disciples to pray and not lose heart, for God hears and answers prayers.

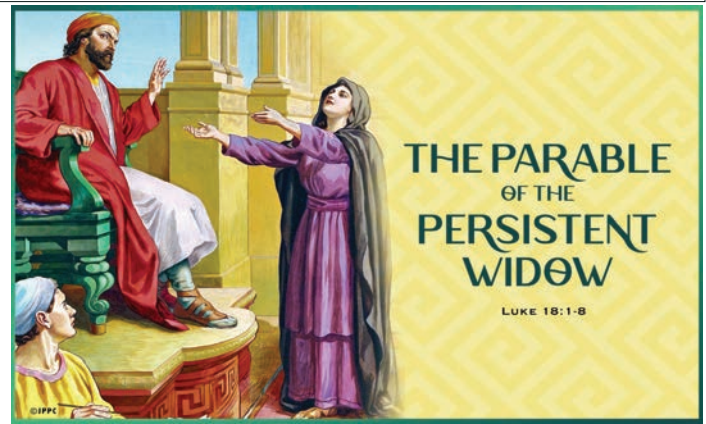
### Reflection:

The point of Jesus' parable in today's gospel is very clear. Jesus himself spells it out: if even and adjust human judge, who cares little for either God or man, will grant the just request of a bothersome old shrew who never gives up but keeps pestering him, how much more will God, our heavenly father, who loves us dearly, give us the good things we ask him for, if only we persist? It is an objective truth, a fact, that God loves us. If we are wise, if we live in the real world, if we live in the world that is governed by God, the God of love, if our life conforms the truth, then when we pray we will never, never, never, never give up. Saint Francis of Assisi said to one of his monks, "Tell me, brother, which of the two do you think this is the readier: God to grant us grace or we to ask for it?"

There is no one certainty and no change on God's part. But there is a certainty on our part. We changed from faith to unfaith, from trust to mistrust, from patients to impatient, from confidence and despair - and back again. Thus, Jesus ends with these two questions, the same two questions St. Francis asked. First, "Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them?" And he answers his own question: "I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily." Then he asked the second question: "But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" And he does not answer that question. Why not? Because it is we who must answer that question.

God supplies the water; we turn on the faucet. God is always there for us; we are not always there for him. Jesus is the world's greatest philosopher, among many other things. He is always right and he is always logical and he is always irrefutable. His argument here is unanswerable: If even wicked man will give us good things if we are persistent enough, will God be less good and less generous than that? Or will he be much more generous? Are we more generous than God? Do we love that friend or family member who right now is suffering and sorrowing and is in real trouble more than God does?

Why then does God delay answering our prayers? He never does. We do. We delay and praying. God waits for our prayers. He does not give us the good things we want and ask for without our praying for them, even though he could, because he sees that we need prayer, and the trust that motivates prayer, more than we need the things we pray for.



The reason - the reason why God does not give us the things we pray for until we pray for them - it's the same reason why he does not give us the good things we work for until we work for them. Work and prayer both work by the same principle. God instituted both prayer and work for the same reason. God sees that we need not only things we work for, like food and shelter and clothing and security, but also that we need work, meaningful work. God instituted prayer for the same reason he instituted work calling to give us the dignity of being real causes, active coworkers and cooperators with him. We become strong, wise, patient, and persistent only by work. And the worker is more important than the work. What we ourselves become by working is more important than the work we do because we have intrinsic value and our work, however important, is only a means or further end. "You can't take it with you when you die" is true of all our work, but it's not true of ourselves. We take ourselves with us everywhere, even to heaven. What is true of work is also true of prayer. God instituted prayer to make us prayer warriors, to make us patient and courageous and strong. He could have given us everything we need and everything we want instantly. He can perform miracles - he created the whole universe, after all! But if he did that, we would be passive, like babies being fed.

That's why the most logical verse in the Bible it's also the hardest for us to believe: "all things work for the good of those who love God" (Rom. 8:28). Obviously not all things are good, and the God who has unlimited power and perfect wisdom can destroy everything that is not good if he wants to, but he doesn't, because he uses these things, these evils, these sufferings and injustices to make a stronger, wiser, holier, and more loving in the end.

### PRAYER

*Lord Jesus, increase my faith and make it strong that I may never doubt your word and promise to be with me always. In every situation I face - whether trials, setbacks, or loss - may I always find strength in your unfailing love and find joy and contentment in having you alone as the treasure of my heart.*  
Amen.

Prayer from <https://www.dailyscripture.net/daily-meditation/>

Reflection excerpted from Kreeft, Dr. Peter, *Food for the Soul, Word on Fire Catholic Ministries, 2021*



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